

Dredging and Beaches

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BEACH NOURISHMENT

- Preferred alternative if problem is associated with absence or interruption of sand supply.
- Temporary – expected life of a nourished beach is 5 to 10 years, depending on the sand characteristics and the weather.
- Potential impacts:
 - project site: short-lived (days to weeks), turbidity, organics.
 - borrow site: longer-lived, benthic community, abrupt topographical changes, influence on wave transformation.

Manasquan

An aerial photograph of the Manasquan River estuary. The river flows from the background towards the foreground, where it meets the ocean. On the left side of the river, there is a large, flat, sandy area, likely a beach or a salt flat. A long, dark, rectangular structure, possibly a pier or a breakwater, extends from this sandy area into the river. On the right side of the river, there is a smaller, more developed area with some buildings and a road. A similar dark structure extends from this area into the river. The background shows a hilly landscape with some vegetation and a few buildings. The sky is overcast.

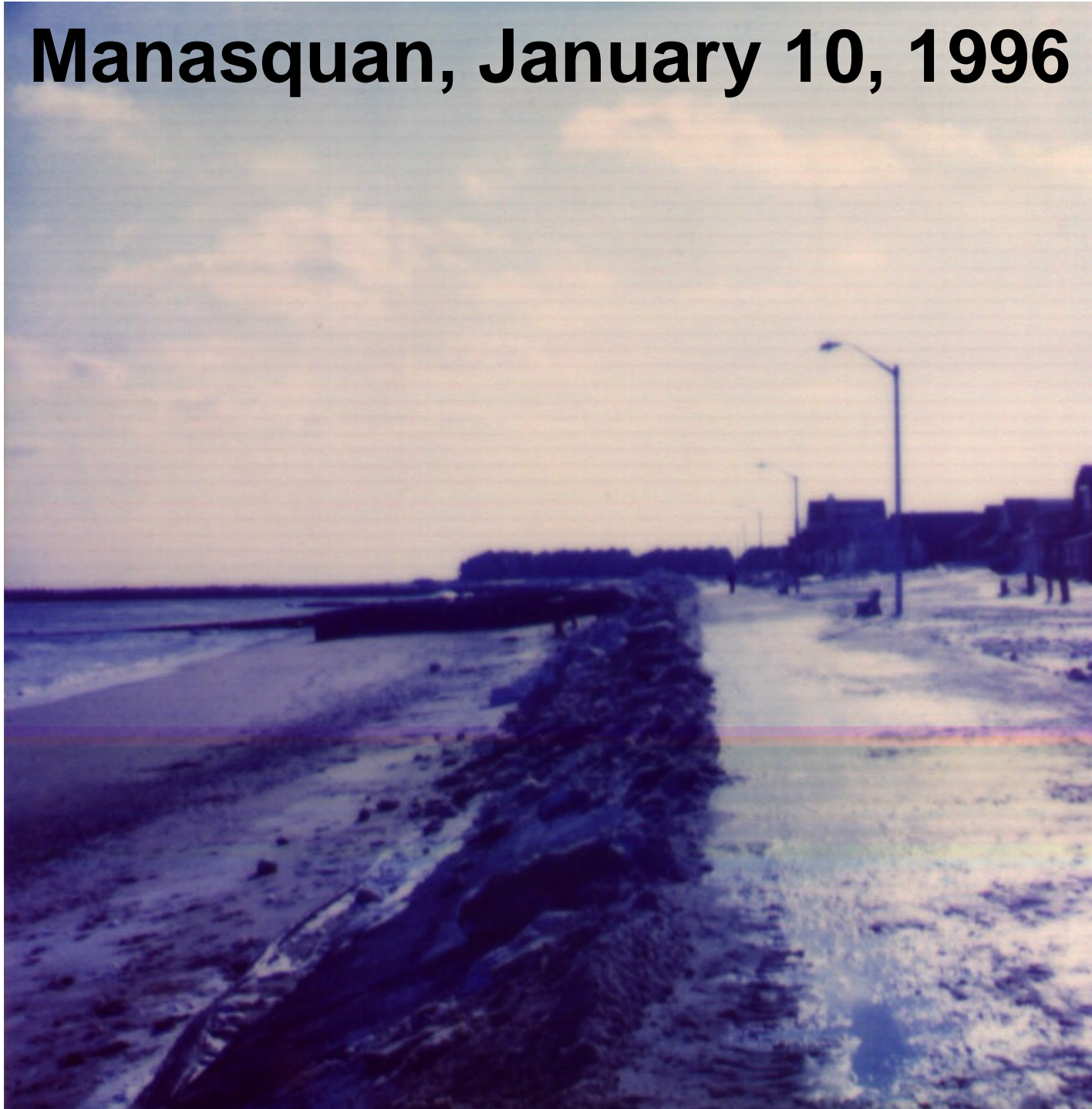
Only solution:

Sand bypassing or beach nourishment

Manasquan, March 31, 1995



Manasquan, January 10, 1996



Manasquan, July 5, 1997



Manasquan, February 8, 1998



New York Bight

